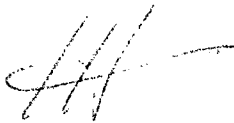
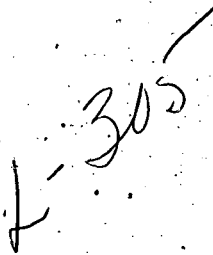


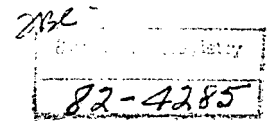
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A handwritten signature, likely of Howard Hunt, consisting of stylized initials 'HH' followed by a horizontal line.Handwritten initials 'L-305' with a checkmark-like symbol above the '5'.

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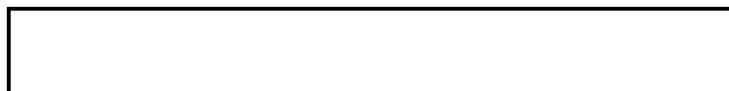
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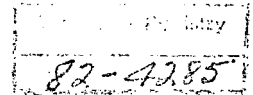
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